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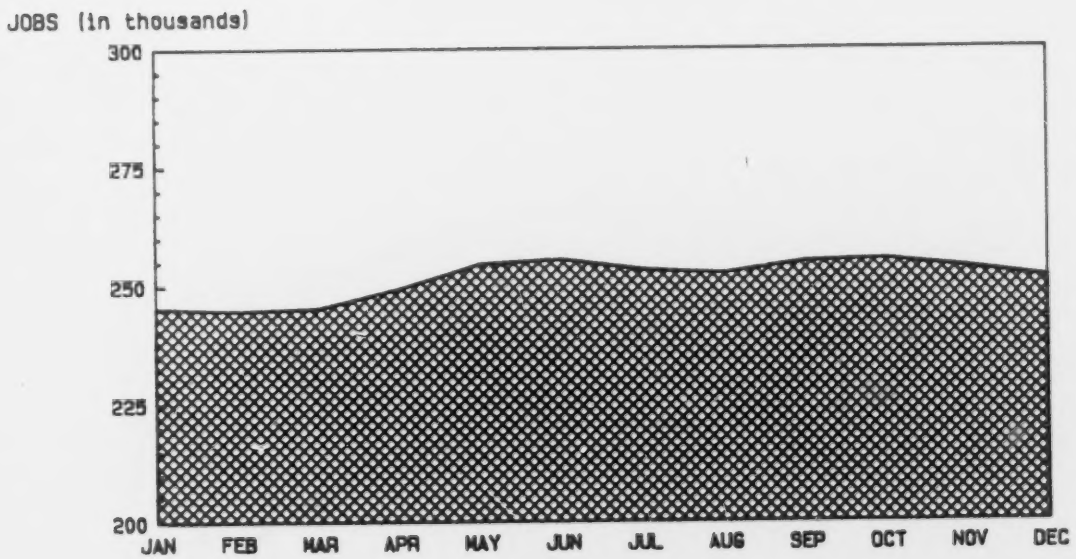

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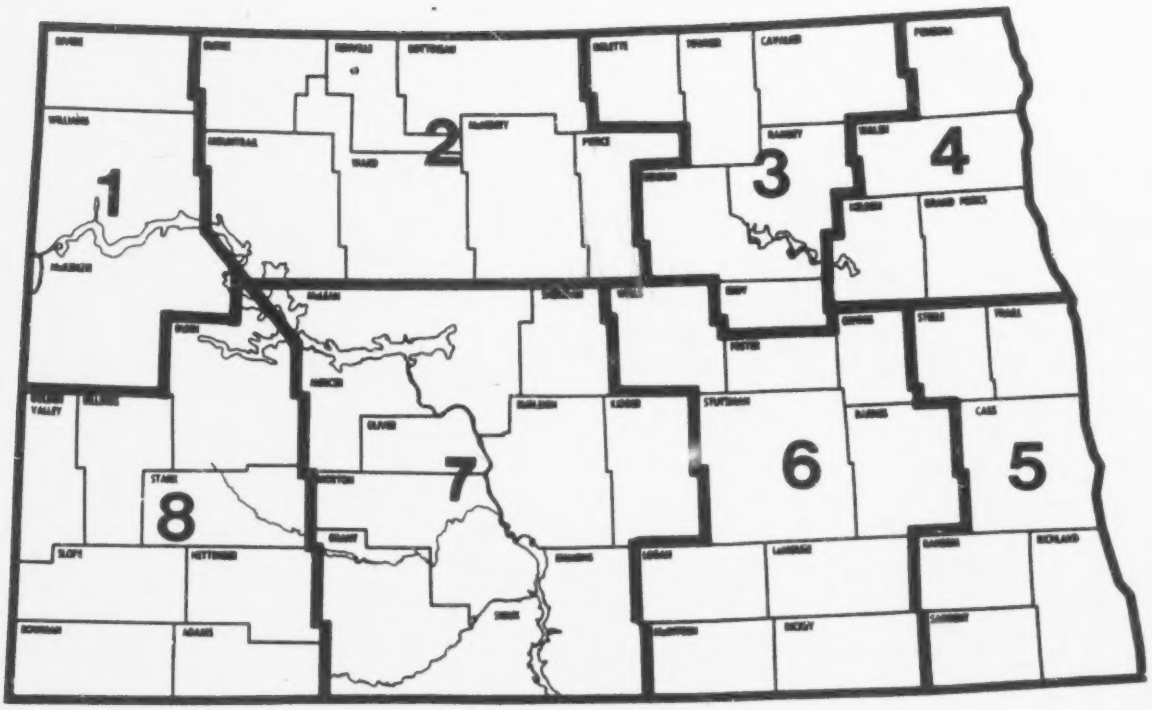

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BENCHMARKS--WHAT ARE THEY?

The term "benchmark" is familiar to those people involved in economics and statistics, but for the person who is not, the word may have little meaning. The dictionary defines the term as "A standard or point of reference . . ." The technical point of reference that is used to benchmark our employment and labor force series is March. However, to understand benchmarking and the need for the procedure, the source of the original estimates needs to be discussed.

Estimates of nonagricultural wage and salary employment are made each month following the benchmark month based primarily on the experience of a select group of employers commonly referred to as sample employers. These employers transmit a count of their employment on a federally-supplied survey form each month. The firms are grouped by industry, and the level of their employment is used as the primary source of estimating total employment by industry. In some cases, if the number of employers in the sample is not sufficient to make a valid estimate, experience or trends from the previous year(s) may be used to supplement the sample.

Since the basis for estimating employment in the Current Employment Statistics (CES) program is sample based, errors are bound to occur. Naturally, the farther away you are from the benchmark point, the greater the estimating error may be. Therefore, employment statistics are "benched" each year.

The primary source of the benchmark is from the report entitled, Employment, Wages and Contributions and is commonly referred to as the ES-202 Report. The report is a compilation of employment and wages received from employers who are required by law to submit this information quarterly. The ES-202 Report is the basis for a wide variety of statistical data at both the state and national level. Its importance stems from the fact that approximately 92 percent of all nonfarm employees are covered by unemployment insurance.

A logical question to ask at this point would be--"If this report is so comprehensive, why do we estimate employment each month?" The ES-202 has one major drawback and that is the time lag. Due to the number of employer reports received each quarter, the ES-202 cannot be prepared until five months following the close of the quarter. Therefore, a first quarter report containing January data would not be available until September. In this era, such a lag is not acceptable and the main function of the CES program is to provide accurate estimates during this period.

As mentioned previously, the official benchmark date is March; however, we delay finalizing our benchmarking until December when data for the second quarter is available. The data from the ES-202 Report, along with available data from other sources, replaces the estimates for 1984 through June 1985. Estimates will then be linked forward from June 1985 until late 1986 when all estimates will be benched to the March 1986 ES-202.

When benchmarking is in process, estimates are still produced based on the "old benchmark" which in this case is March 1984. When December 1985 estimates are produced on the new bench, the switchover is accomplished. All historic data--in this case, 1984 and 1985 for the state, and the Fargo-Moorhead, Grand Forks, and Bismarck Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs)--reflect the benchmark revisions. The benchmark also affects the hours and earnings series for the manufacturing industry and the labor force and employment and unemployment estimates for the state, the MSAs, and the counties. Some of the revised data is currently available and the balance will be completed within a few weeks. If you are interested in receiving the benchmarked data, please contact this agency.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
NORTH DAKOTA

Industry	Current Month Jan. 1986	Previous Month Dec. 1985	One Year Ago Jan. 1985	Percent Change From: One Month Ago Dec. 1985	Percent Change From: One Year Ago Jan. 1985
TOTAL	243,620	251,250	245,310	-3.0	-0.7
MINING	6,280	6,510	7,150	-3.5	-12.2
Coal	1,290	1,330	1,380	-3.0	-6.5
Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas	4,800	4,930	5,550	-2.6	-13.5
Other Mining	190	250	220	-24.0	-13.6
CONSTRUCTION	7,890	10,110	8,980	-22.0	-12.1
Building Construction	2,570	2,970	2,710	-13.5	-5.2
Street, Highway & Heavy	1,240	2,220	1,790	-44.1	-30.7
Special Trade Construction	4,080	4,920	4,480	-17.1	-8.9
MANUFACTURING	15,080	15,370	15,360	-1.9	-1.8
Durable Goods	5,830	6,070	6,070	-4.0	-4.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass	510	610	480	-16.4	6.3
Primary & Fabricated Metals	620	620	700	0.0	-11.4
Machinery & Trans. Equipment	3,630	3,820	3,880	-5.0	-6.4
Other Durable Goods	1,070	1,020	1,010	4.9	5.9
Nondurable Goods	9,250	9,300	9,290	-0.5	-0.4
Food & Kindred Products	4,760	4,760	4,760	0.0	0.0
Dairy Products	860	880	880	-2.3	-2.3
Food Specialties & Confectionery Products	1,810	1,790	1,840	1.1	-1.6
Bakery Products	440	440	450	0.0	-2.2
Other Food & Kindred Products	1,650	1,650	1,590	0.0	3.8
Printing & Publishing	2,470	2,460	2,450	0.4	0.8
Other Nondurable Goods	2,020	2,080	2,080	-2.9	-2.9
TRANS., COMM. & UTILITIES	15,690	16,110	16,300	-2.6	-3.7
Transportation	7,360	7,710	7,770	-4.5	-5.3
Trucking & Warehousing	4,020	4,300	4,150	-6.5	-3.1
Other Transportation	3,340	3,410	3,620	-2.1	-7.7
Communications	3,400	3,440	3,380	-1.2	0.6
Public Utilities	4,930	4,960	5,150	-0.6	-4.3

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
NORTH DAKOTA
(Continued)

Industry	Current Month Jan. 1986	Previous Month Dec. 1985	One Year Ago Jan. 1985	Percent Change From One Month Ago Dec. 1985	Percent Change From One Year Ago Jan. 1985
WHOLESALE TRADE	19,040	19,520	19,660	-2.5	-3.2
Durable Goods	9,290	9,500	9,690	-2.2	-4.1
Nondurable Goods	9,750	10,020	9,970	-2.7	-2.2
RETAIL TRADE	46,500	48,510	46,230	-4.1	0.6
General Merchandise	6,060	6,580	6,160	-7.9	-1.6
Food Stores	6,470	6,620	6,240	-2.3	3.7
Auto Dealers & Service Stations	6,680	6,740	6,690	-0.9	-0.1
Apparel & Accessory Stores	2,860	2,990	2,850	-4.3	0.4
Other Retail	24,430	25,580	24,290	-4.5	0.6
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	12,320	12,410	12,220	-0.7	0.8
Finance	6,840	6,830	6,780	0.1	0.9
Banking	4,330	4,330	4,320	0.0	0.2
Other Finance	2,510	2,500	2,460	0.4	2.0
Insurance	3,720	3,740	3,700	-0.5	0.5
Real Estate	1,760	1,840	1,740	-4.3	1.1
SERVICES	57,740	58,160	56,580	-0.7	2.1
Lodging	4,170	4,350	4,200	-4.1	-0.7
Nursing & Personal Care	6,190	6,220	6,180	-0.5	0.2
Hospitals	12,290	12,290	12,470	0.0	-1.4
Other Medical	6,390	6,350	6,150	0.6	3.9
Other Services	28,700	28,950	27,580	-0.9	4.1
GOVERNMENT	63,080	64,550	62,830	-2.3	0.4
Federal	9,490	9,520	9,180	-0.3	3.4
State Government	18,790	19,860	19,100	-5.4	-1.6
Educational Services	12,170	13,050	12,340	-6.7	-1.4
Other State Government	6,620	6,810	6,760	-2.8	-2.1
Local Government	34,800	35,170	34,550	-1.1	0.7
Educational Services	17,630	17,720	17,420	-0.5	1.2
Other Local Government	17,170	17,450	17,130	-1.6	0.2

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	Current Month Jan. 1986	Previous Month Dec. 1985	One Year Ago Jan. 1985	Percent Change From One Month Ago Dec. 1985	Percent Change From One Year Ago Jan. 1985
FARGO-MOORHEAD MSA					
TOTAL	66,780	67,990	65,590	-1.8	1.8
Mining & Construction	2,370	2,840	2,520	-16.5	-6.0
Manufacturing	4,660	4,710	4,850	-1.1	-3.9
Durable Goods	1,810	1,830	1,940	-1.1	-6.7
Nondurable Goods	2,850	2,880	2,910	-1.0	-2.1
Trans., Comm. & Utilities	3,900	4,040	3,960	-3.5	-1.5
Trade	20,100	20,590	19,470	-2.4	3.2
Wholesale Trade	6,570	6,660	6,490	-1.4	1.2
Retail Trade	13,530	13,930	12,980	-2.9	4.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,240	4,250	4,140	-0.2	2.4
Services	17,710	17,840	16,970	-0.7	4.4
Government	13,800	13,720	13,680	0.6	0.9
Federal	2,110	2,130	2,010	-0.9	5.0
State & Local	11,690	11,590	11,670	0.9	0.2
GRAND FORKS MSA					
TOTAL	27,350	28,970	26,970	-5.6	1.4
Mining & Construction	1,190	1,340	920	-11.2	29.3
Manufacturing	1,460	1,450	1,300	0.7	12.3
Trans., Comm., & Utilities	1,380	1,430	1,450	-3.5	-4.8
Trade	7,920	8,370	8,010	-5.4	-1.1
Wholesale Trade	1,360	1,380	1,380	-1.4	-1.4
Retail Trade	6,560	6,990	6,630	-6.2	-1.1
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	1,060	1,070	1,040	-0.9	1.9
Services	6,010	6,150	5,820	-2.3	3.3
Government	8,330	9,160	8,430	-9.1	-1.2
BISMARCK MSA					
TOTAL	35,000	36,070	35,010	-3.0	0.0
Mining	190	210	200	-9.5	-5.0
Construction	1,100	1,280	1,200	-14.1	-8.3
Manufacturing	1,870	1,920	1,880	-2.6	-0.5
Trans., Comm., & Utilities	2,700	2,750	2,850	-1.8	-5.3
Trade	9,500	9,970	9,300	-4.7	2.2
Wholesale	2,310	2,340	2,410	-1.3	-4.1
Retail	7,190	7,630	6,890	-5.8	4.4
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	1,670	1,680	1,670	-0.6	0.0
Services	10,040	10,030	9,810	0.1	2.3
Government	7,930	8,230	8,100	-3.6	-2.1

U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
ALL URBAN CONSUMERS

(1967=100)

	Annual Average 1985	Current Month Jan. 1986	Previous Month Dec. 1985	One Year Ago Jan. 1985	Percent Change From Dec. 1985	Percent Change From Jan. 1985
All Items	322.2	328.4	327.4	316.1	0.3	3.9
Food & Beverage	302.0	307.9	305.6	299.3	0.8	2.9
Housing	349.9	356.8	355.8	342.0	0.3	4.3
Apparel & Upkeep	206.0	205.0	209.0	199.8	-1.9	2.6
Transportation	319.9	323.9	324.0	314.7	-0-	2.9
Medical Care	403.1	418.2	414.7	391.1	0.8	6.9
Entertainment	265.0	270.8	268.3	261.0	0.9	3.8

PRODUCER PRICE INDEX
UNITED STATES AVERAGE

(1967=100)

	Annual Average 1985	Current Month Jan. 1986	Previous Month Dec. 1985	One Year Ago Jan. 1985	Percent Change From Dec. 1985	Percent Change From Jan. 1985
All Commodities	308.8	309.0	310.2	309.7	-0.4	-0.2
Farm Products & Processed Foods and Feeds	250.5	250.9	252.1	257.6	-0.5	-2.6
Industrial Commodities	323.9	324.0	325.2	323.1	-0.4	0.3

MANUFACTURING HOURS AND EARNINGS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
UNITED STATES									
Manufacturing	393.41	404.35	380.03	40.6	41.6	40.3	9.69	9.72	9.43
Durable Goods	424.56	437.99	410.59	41.3	42.4	41.1	10.28	10.33	9.99
Nondurable Goods	350.15	358.02	336.73	39.7	40.5	39.2	8.82	8.84	8.59
NORTH DAKOTA									
Manufacturing	316.22	323.44	302.57	38.8	39.3	38.3	8.15	8.23	7.90
Durable Goods	333.91	352.69	326.82	39.1	40.4	39.0	8.54	8.73	8.38
Nondurable Goods	305.71	305.33	287.66	38.6	38.6	37.8	7.92	7.91	7.61
Food & Kindred	323.21	324.75	312.78	40.3	40.9	40.1	8.02	7.94	7.80
Printing & Publishing	269.38	279.84	259.21	32.3	33.0	32.2	8.34	8.48	8.05
FARGO-MOORHEAD MSA									
Manufacturing	316.68	340.35	312.19	37.7	39.9	38.4	8.40	8.53	8.13
Durable Goods	312.38	324.94	306.06	37.5	38.5	37.6	8.33	8.44	8.14
Nondurable Goods	319.03	349.21	315.87	37.8	40.7	38.9	8.44	8.58	8.12

LABOR FORCE, BY COUNTY, BY REGION

County	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate		
	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
Divide	1,353	1,458	1,375	1,246	1,404	1,321	107	54	54	7.9	3.7	3.9
McKenzie	3,382	3,442	3,524	3,107	3,287	3,339	275	155	185	8.1	4.5	5.2
Williams	12,828	14,025	13,696	11,642	13,098	12,809	1,186	927	887	9.2	6.6	6.5
REGION 1 TOTAL	17,563	18,925	18,595	15,995	17,789	17,469	1,568	1,136	1,126	8.9	6.0	6.1
Bottineau	3,354	3,659	3,544	3,018	3,376	3,191	336	283	353	10.0	7.7	10.0
Burke	1,357	1,491	1,375	1,231	1,370	1,294	126	121	81	9.3	8.1	5.9
McHenry	2,655	2,707	2,686	2,129	2,302	2,202	526	405	484	19.8	15.0	18.0
Mountrail	3,030	3,058	3,022	2,709	2,765	2,743	321	293	279	10.6	9.6	9.2
Pierce	2,351	2,401	2,453	2,189	2,267	2,269	162	134	184	6.9	5.6	7.5
Renville	1,200	1,262	1,241	1,094	1,203	1,120	106	59	121	8.8	4.7	9.8
Ward	24,499	25,674	24,669	22,326	23,744	22,583	2,173	1,930	2,086	8.9	7.5	8.5
REGION 2 TOTAL	38,446	40,252	38,990	34,696	37,027	35,402	3,750	3,225	3,588	9.8	8.0	9.2
Benson	2,938	3,044	3,002	2,638	2,759	2,672	300	285	330	10.2	9.4	11.0
Cavalier	2,319	2,604	2,459	2,135	2,463	2,231	184	141	228	7.9	5.4	9.3
Eddy	1,366	1,416	1,424	1,155	1,234	1,235	211	182	189	15.4	12.9	13.3
Ramsey	6,103	6,209	6,064	5,598	5,802	5,593	505	407	471	8.3	6.6	7.8
Rolette	5,053	5,057	4,900	4,366	4,483	4,119	687	574	781	13.6	11.4	15.9
Towner	1,602	1,739	1,605	1,492	1,621	1,493	110	118	112	6.9	6.8	7.0
REGION 3 TOTAL	19,381	20,069	19,454	17,384	18,362	17,343	1,997	1,707	2,111	10.3	8.5	10.9
Grand Forks	32,873	35,334	32,636	31,388	34,114	31,084	1,485	1,220	1,552	4.5	3.5	4.8
Nelson	1,908	2,026	1,970	1,687	1,837	1,732	221	189	238	11.6	9.3	12.1
Pembina	5,138	5,166	4,834	4,546	4,711	4,362	592	455	472	11.5	8.8	9.8
Walsh	7,230	7,699	6,607	6,714	7,188	6,159	516	511	448	7.1	6.6	6.8
REGION 4 TOTAL	47,149	50,225	46,047	44,335	47,850	43,337	2,814	2,375	2,710	6.0	4.7	5.9
Cass	56,504	55,638	52,297	53,736	53,332	50,138	2,768	2,306	2,159	4.9	4.1	4.1
Ransom	2,514	2,560	2,483	2,386	2,469	2,350	128	91	133	5.1	3.6	5.4
Richland	7,739	7,976	7,983	7,135	7,443	7,468	604	533	515	7.8	6.7	6.5
Sargent	2,237	2,454	2,292	2,107	2,341	2,139	130	113	153	5.8	4.6	6.7
Steele	1,010	1,109	1,058	930	1,040	983	80	69	75	7.9	6.2	7.1
Traill	4,015	4,169	4,040	3,869	4,032	3,887	146	137	153	3.6	3.3	3.8
REGION 5 TOTAL	74,019	73,906	70,153	70,163	70,657	66,965	3,856	3,249	3,188	5.2	4.4	4.5

LABOR FORCE, BY COUNTY, BY REGION

County	Labor Force			Employment			Unemployment			Rate		
	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Jan. 1985
Barnes	5,460	5,849	5,557	4,971	5,520	5,033	489	329	524	9.0	5.6	9.4
Dickey	2,918	3,077	2,946	2,740	2,950	2,788	178	127	158	6.1	4.1	5.4
Foster	1,969	2,234	2,068	1,822	2,108	1,914	147	126	154	7.5	5.6	7.4
Griggs	1,350	1,415	1,358	1,234	1,294	1,266	116	121	92	8.6	8.6	6.8
La Moure	2,129	2,302	2,247	1,984	2,157	2,098	145	145	149	6.8	6.3	6.6
Logan	1,303	1,284	1,310	1,210	1,186	1,225	93	98	85	7.1	7.6	6.5
McIntosh	2,011	2,130	2,011	1,904	2,047	1,953	107	83	58	5.3	3.9	2.9
Stutsman	11,845	12,181	11,716	10,850	11,401	10,844	995	780	872	8.4	6.4	7.4
Wells	2,640	2,829	2,761	2,366	2,601	2,470	274	228	291	10.4	8.1	10.5
REGION 6 TOTAL	31,625	33,301	31,974	29,081	31,264	29,591	2,544	2,037	2,383	8.0	6.1	7.5
Burleigh	29,609	30,620	29,609	26,917	28,349	27,162	2,692	2,271	2,447	9.1	7.4	8.3
Emmons	2,005	2,196	2,037	1,821	2,011	1,826	184	185	211	9.2	8.4	10.4
Grant	1,642	1,726	1,650	1,520	1,626	1,557	122	100	93	7.4	5.8	5.6
Kidder	1,390	1,380	1,422	1,205	1,232	1,222	185	148	200	13.3	10.7	14.1
McLean	4,439	4,730	4,615	3,854	4,231	4,053	585	499	562	13.2	10.5	12.2
Mercer	6,190	6,559	7,178	5,362	5,796	6,447	828	763	731	13.4	11.6	10.2
Morton	13,445	13,857	13,524	12,094	12,738	12,204	1,351	1,119	1,320	10.0	8.1	9.8
Oliver	1,085	985	919	975	891	827	110	94	92	10.1	9.5	10.0
Sheridan	986	965	955	900	919	875	86	46	80	8.7	4.8	8.4
Sioux	1,193	1,173	1,246	1,109	1,078	1,138	84	95	108	7.0	8.1	8.7
REGION 7 TOTAL	61,984	64,191	63,155	55,757	58,871	57,311	6,227	5,320	5,844	10.0	8.3	9.3
Adams	1,592	1,682	1,635	1,534	1,623	1,579	58	59	56	3.6	3.5	3.4
Billings	685	618	657	664	583	640	21	35	17	3.1	5.7	2.6
Bowman	1,945	2,126	2,027	1,844	2,043	1,944	101	83	83	5.2	3.9	4.1
Dunn	1,721	1,803	1,751	1,553	1,640	1,586	168	163	165	9.8	9.0	9.4
Golden Valley	1,018	1,086	1,028	915	999	943	103	87	85	10.1	8.0	8.3
Hettinger	1,725	1,799	1,753	1,588	1,701	1,632	137	98	121	7.9	5.4	6.9
Slope	370	479	418	335	446	376	35	33	42	9.5	6.9	10.0
Stark	11,778	12,526	12,315	10,664	11,540	11,196	1,114	986	1,119	9.5	7.9	9.1
REGION 8 TOTAL	20,834	22,119	21,584	19,097	20,575	19,896	1,737	1,544	1,688	8.3	7.0	7.8
STATE TOTAL	311,001	322,988	309,952	286,508	302,395	287,314	24,493	20,593	22,638	7.9	6.4	7.3

LABOR FORCE
NORTH DAKOTA AND MSA'S

	Current Month Jan. 1986	Previous Month Dec. 1985	One Year Ago Jan. 1985	Percent Change From Dec. 1985	Percent Change From Jan. 1985
UNITED STATES (In Thousands)					
Labor Force	118,477	117,927	116,572	0.5	1.6
Employment	110,646	109,904	108,088	0.7	2.4
Unemployment	7,831	8,023	8,484	-2.4	-7.7
Unemployment Rate	6.6%	6.8%	7.3%	-0-	-0-
NORTH DAKOTA					
Labor Force	311,000	322,990	309,950	-3.7	0.3
Employment	286,510	302,400	287,310	-5.3	-0.3
Unemployment	24,490	20,590	22,640	18.9	8.2
Unemployment Rate	7.9%	6.4%	7.3%	-0-	-0-
FARGO-MOORHEAD MSA					
Labor Force	84,690	82,610	78,880	2.5	7.4
Employment	79,910	78,590	74,740	1.7	6.9
Unemployment	4,780	4,020	4,140	18.9	15.5
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	4.9%	5.2%	-0-	-0-
GRAND FORKS MSA					
Labor Force	32,880	35,330	32,630	-6.9	0.8
Employment	31,390	34,110	31,080	-8.0	1.0
Unemployment	1,490	1,220	1,550	22.1	-3.9
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	3.5%	4.8%	-0-	-0-
BISMARCK MSA					
Labor Force	43,050	44,480	43,140	-3.2	-0.2
Employment	39,010	41,090	39,370	-5.1	-0.9
Unemployment	4,040	3,390	3,770	19.2	7.2
Unemployment Rate	9.4%	7.6%	8.7%	-0-	-0-

U.S. data seasonally adjusted, other data not seasonally adjusted. Unemployment rate based on unrounded data.

The Fargo-Moorhead MSA includes Cass and Clay Counties; the Grand Forks MSA includes Grand Forks County; and the Bismarck MSA includes Burleigh and Morton Counties.

BORDERING STATE LABOR FORCE COMPARISONS
DECEMBER 1985
(In Thousands)

	NORTH DAKOTA	SOUTH DAKOTA	MINNESOTA	MONTANA
Labor Force	323.0	339.5	2,244.7	391.4
Employment	302.4	321.9	2,076.6	357.0
Unemployment	20.6	17.6	168.1	34.4
Unemployment Rate	6.4	5.2	7.5	8.8

DEFINITIONS

EMPLOYED: A count of individuals 16 years of age or older who worked for pay any time during the week which includes the 12th of the month or who worked unpaid for 15 hours or more in a family-operated enterprise. Members of the Armed Forces stationed in the United States are included in the U.S. totals, but are excluded from the North Dakota and MSA counts.

UNEMPLOYED: Includes all individuals who did not work during the survey week, but were available for work, except for temporary illness, and had looked for jobs within the preceding four weeks.

LABOR FORCE: The sum of the employed and the unemployed.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE: The number of unemployed as a percent of the total labor force.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: A monthly statistical measure of the average change in prices in a fixed market basket of goods and services. Though the CPI is often called the "Cost of Living Index," it measures only price change, which is just one of several important factors affecting living costs.

PRODUCER PRICE INDEX: This index measures the average changes in prices received in primary markets of the United States by producers of commodities in all stages of processing.

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT: An estimate of all full- and part-time wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Estimates measure the number of jobs by industry and reflect employment by place of work.

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